Another Story of the Tragedy Told By Eye-Witness.

Wilkes Booth On the Afternoon of the Fatal Day.

SCENE IN THE THEATER.

The New York Suncontains a communication from one who signs himself George C. Read, editor of the Starchroom, Chicago, in which the writer gives and interesting account of an incident in which John Wilkes Booth figured on the efternoon of the day of the assassination of President Lincoln. The letter proceeds:

"I am not writing this for the purpose of getting my name before the public or bringing out any controversy, but merely to see if it will be believed, or bring back to life among the thousands of those who peruse the paper every day one certain man. It he is alive and it catches his eye,

"I was only a boy at the time, scarcely nineteen years of age. I had been in the army since August, 1862. Was enlisted in Company II, One Volunteers, as a drummer. I was detached from my company nearly all the time from the spring of 1863 to the time I was discharged from the service as a foot orderly at brigade headquarters, I served in that capacity under the Colonel of my regiment, who for a time commanded the Third Brigade, Second Division, Fifth Corps, Col. P. H. O'Rourke, who by way, was killed at Gettysburg; also under Gen. Weed, who was also killed at Gettysburg, and afterward under Col. Girard, of the One Hundro | and Forty-sixth New York Volunteers, commanding the brigade. In 1863 and up to the close of the war I was with Gen. Griffin and Gen. Avers. As I said, I was only a foot orderly, consequently did not have the confidence of the officers attached to headquarters, still was among them, ready to obey any orders given me day or night. I was in the front most of the time, but did not have the honor of capturing a whole brigade of the enemy, or performing any of the hereic acts others tell about.

"Some time in the latter part of March, 1865, I was sent to Washingcount of the loss of m voice. I remained there most of the time in barracks on east Capitol Hill On the atternoon of the fated April 14. 1865, I happened in the saloon next door to Ford's Theater to see the barkeeper, Jim Peck.. While standing near a stove about the center of the room three men came into the place laghing and talking loudly. They all went to the end of the bar neavest the door, and ordered a drink. One was a tall, handsome fellow, dressed in the latest fashionable clothes, if I remember rightly, and the others appeared like workmen of some kind. Both were carelessly dressed, and I think one was in his shirt sleeves. They had their drink, and then the fine-looking man turned toward where I was standing and said, 'Come up, soldier, and have a drink.' I declined for the reason that I had not at that time become addicted to the havit of social drinking. He then approached me and took me by the arm and said. 'Have some thing; take a cigar ' This I did not refuse, and he put his hand in his vest pocket, and pulling out a eigar handed it to me without any further remarks. He then returned to his companions at the bar. They remained, if I remember correctly, about five minutes after, and then, all laughing at something that Peck said, left the place. As soon as they were gone I asked Peck who the big man was, and he said that he was an actor-one of the Booth family-John Wilkes Booth. I had heard of him before, but paid no farther attention to it except to remark that he seemed to be in a happy frame of mind, when Peck stated that he was on a 'drunk' and associated with the stage me chanics in the theater all the time.

"As I was about to depart, little thinking what history would develop in a low short hours. Peck asked me to accept a couple of tickets to the theater for that night. I was glad to get them, having no money to purchase the same, and knowing that the President would be at the play. Later I found a young man, like myself broke, and invited him to accompany me to the play. We were on hand early, and, having good reserved seats about the center of the return any richer than they went Such artices should never be used exhouse, were clated over our good luek.

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Hartford Republican, catch, and then disappeared behind the wings. As soon as I saw him I recognized the handsome man I had scen in the saloon that afternoon, and turned to my comrade and said said. 'That's Wilkes Booth, the actor, and I think he's on a drunk,' Before I had finished even this a cry went up that the President had been shot, 'Stop that man,' and many other exclamations that I have lorgotton. It was all d no so quickly that one had hardly time to think. Immediately the audience rose as one person and cries were heard all over the house, 'Stop that man!' 'The President has been assassinated!" and High Spirits of John many others. The people began to crush each other and try to get out of the theater, but they were quite to a certain extent and the prevost guard on duty there fought to make them keep their places. Soon there was a movement on the side aisle running from the President's box, and from the President's box, and from where I was standing on my seat I could see what appeared to be a party of men carrying some one. Later the rest of the party were conducted out of the theater, and when I got outside I saw a crowd looking at a house opposite. On asking what it meant, I was told that the President had been carried father had a switch in his hand. The there in the crowd and have never met him since.

"It is unneccessary to go into any more details of what occured that night. I was excited, as was every one else in the city, and got little rest. But that is my experience, told as briefly as possible, without any stretch of imagination. If I had to do with the same again I think it he can vouch for the more important | would have been better if I had told the officials of what I had seen that afternoon, but, as it was, all came out right, and the really guilty ones suffered the penalty of their crime.

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